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AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants provide the present Amendment in response to the Official Action mailed
January 25, 2005.

It is not believed that an extension of time and/or additional fee(s), including fees for net
addition of claims, are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents
accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that an extension of time is necessary to allow
consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a).
Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper may be charged to IBM
Deposit Account No. 09-0461.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2
of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.